

BEFORE  
THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF  
SOUTH CAROLINA  
DOCKET NO. 93-250-W/S - ORDER NO. 93-399✓  
APRIL 30, 1993

IN RE: Request of CUC, INC. for Approval of            ) ORDER  
          an Extension of Service Area to include        ) APPROVING  
          customers on Spring Island located in         ) EXTENSION OF  
          Beaufort County, South Carolina.             ) SERVICE AREA

By Application filed April 13, 1993, CUC, INC. (CUC or the Company) seeks approval of the Public Service Commission of South Carolina (the Commission) to expand its water and sewer service area to include water and sewer service to customers on Spring Island, located in Beaufort County, South Carolina. The Application was filed pursuant to S. C. Code Ann., §58-5-240 (1976), as amended, and R. 103-702 and R. 103-821 of the Commission's Rules and Regulations.

The Company is a corporation organized under the laws of the State of South Carolina with powers to engage in the business of, inter alia, acquiring, building and/or operating water and/or wastewater utility systems, and is subject to the jurisdiction of the Commission pursuant to S.C. Code Ann., §58-5-10 et seq. (1976) as amended. The Company was previously granted certificated service areas, and rates and charges for water and sewer services have been heretofore approved by this Commission.

The Company, in its Application, asserts that it will furnish adequate service for the additional service area. The Company's Application was accompanied by service area maps reflecting the proposed extension to its previously certificated area. A request was made for a waiver of the required public hearing. As there are currently no customers in the proposed additional service area and the Company is seeking to establish service in the area, the Commission waived the public hearing.

Upon thorough review of the matters contained in the Application, and all matters relative thereto, the Commission is of the opinion, and so finds, that the relief requested therein by the Company should be granted. The Commission finds that the water and sewer service to be made available to the customers of Spring Island in Beaufort County, South Carolina should not impair the ability of the Company to continue to provide service in its existing service area in a manner consistent with the Rules and Regulations of this Commission and applicable laws of this State. The Commission further finds that the proposed extension does not interfere with the service of any other jurisdictional utility and that the public convenience and necessity will be served by the Commission's approval of the expansion area.

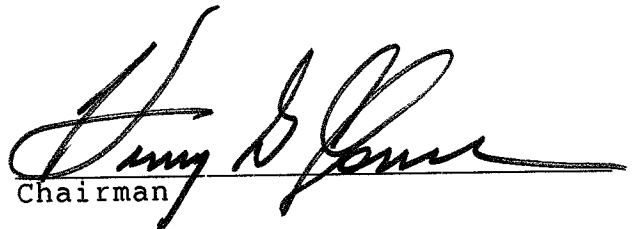
The Commission further finds that the rates and charges previously approved for the Company in Docket No. 91-041-W/S by Order No. 92-114 are just and reasonable and, as such, should be approved for the extended service area. The Commission further finds that under S.C. Code Ann. §58-5-240(G), this expansion is

allowed without a public hearing since the rates proposed do not require a determination of the entire rate structure and overall rate of return. Therefore, this Commission approves for use in the extended area the rates, charges, and operating margin approved in Docket No. 91-041-W/S, Order No. 92-114.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED:

1. That the Application of CUC, INC. to extend its previously authorized service area, be and hereby is, approved.
2. That the service area authorized for CUC, INC. be and hereby is, extended to include customers of Spring Island in Beaufort County, South Carolina as reflected in the service area maps submitted with the Application.
3. That the schedule of rates and charges previously approved for the Company in Docket No. 91-041-W/S, Order No. 92-114, issued February 27, 1992, be and hereby is, approved for the area approved herein, effective for service rendered on or after the date of this Order.
4. That this Order shall remain in full force and effect until further Order of the Commission.

BY ORDER OF THE COMMISSION:

  
Chairman

ATTEST:

  
Executive Director  
(SEAL)